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SUBJECT: FIVE PERSONS SENTENCED FOR AIDING "USTASHI" TERRORISTS

REF: A) ZAGREB A-64. 11/15/74; B) ZAGREB A-2, 1/8/75

1. ALL ZAGREB DAILIES REPORT SENTENCING YESTERDAY IN GOSPIC OF FIVE PERSONS FOR AIDING THE TWO "USTASHI" TERRORISTS KILLED BY POLICE LAST OCTOBER (REF A). DUSAN DOSEN RECEIVED 6.5 YEARS STRICT IMPRISONMENT. OTHER SENTENCES WERE NOTICE-ABLY Milder: ILIJA DOSEN, 2 YEARS; NIKOLA BACIC, 18 MONTHS; PAVLE DEVIC AND ANKA BACIC, EACH ONE YEAR (SUSPENDED).

2. THE PRESS CITES SPECIFIC EFFORTS BY DUSAN AND ILIJA DOSEN TO FEED AND HARBOR THE TERRORISTS, TO HAVE HAD KNOWLEDGE OF THEIR PLANS, AND TO HAVE WARNED THEM OF POLICE MOVEMENTS. THE OTHERS REPORTEDLY "HELPED" THE TERRORISTS AND HAD KNOWLEDGE OF THEIR PRESENCE ON THE VELEBIT MOUNTAIN. THE PRESS STATES THAT THE ACCUSED ADMITTED ALL CHARGES OF THE INDICTMENT.

3. COMMENT: THIS IS THE FIRST PRESS MENTION WE HAVE SEEN OF SPECIFIC INDIVIDUALS OR FAMILIES WHO AIDED THE TERRORISTS. HOWEVER, IN HIS DECEMBER 10, 1974, SPEECH (OTHERWISE REPORTED REF B), CROATIAN PARTY SECRETARY DUSAN DRAGOSAVAC REFERRED BRIEFLY TO "A FEW CONCEALERS" WHILE EMPHASIZING THAT THE VELEBIT TERRORISTS ENJOYED "NO SUPPORT AMONG THE PEOPLE"

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AND HAD "NO POLITICAL BASE."

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